



Risk Management Program (RMP)

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"Come and learn about the Risk Management Program so that your facility is prepared for the 2004 submittal"

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Risk Management Program Training

EPA will be hosting their annual Risk Management Program: Basics and Techniques training in Richland, Washington on March 29 – April 1, 2004. The training will take place at the Volpentest HAMMER Training and Education Center and is FREE of charge to all governmental entities (Local, LEPC affiliated industry, State, Federal) and Tribes. The Basics course will cover program fundamentals with a fee of \$150 for industry. The 3-day Techniques class provides further exposure to risk management for an additional \$500.

Why should I attend?

All facility owners/operators that are or may potentially be regulated by Section 112(r) of the Clean Air Act should attend this training to become more knowledgeable regarding the program's requirements.

What will be covered in the training?

The major components of a Risk Management Plan will be discussed, e.g., off-site consequence analysis, five-year accident histories, prevention and emergency response programs. In addition, EPA staff will also be available to answer questions regarding specific industry related issues.

Background:

Section 112(r) of the Clean Air Act, also known as the Risk Management Program, deals specifically with facilities that hold or use very toxic or flammable substances at or above thresholds determined by EPA. The primary goal of the Risk Management Program is to insure that industries, community members and emergency responders have the proper tools to prevent and respond to chemical accidents before catastrophic releases occur.

For more information regarding the training or registration, please contact Diane Ruthruff at (206) 553-5139 or ruthruff.diane@epa.gov

Risk Management Plan News

Most RMP's will need to be revised, updated and resubmitted in June of 2004. Refer to the "Anniversary Date" in your facility's "Notification Letter: Complete RMP" for your site's specific submittal date. Can't find the letter? Contact Region 10's RMP Coordinator at (206) 553-4141.

EPA has proposed (7/31/03) regulatory modifications to the RMP. The proposed changes are: a modification to the resubmission schedule for certain facilities, the addition of three data elements, revisions of the submission format, and removal of off-site consequence analysis data from the executive summary.

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